

Syllabisms.
Read the following quickly and your friends will be amused:
Simple Simpkins sung a song of sixpence as the sun shone silently on the shoe shop sign.
Sarah sells sea shells sewn up in a sheet.
The sick sinner's sixth sheep is sick.
Silent Sambo slumbered safely on the shifting sea sand.
Break the hands that binds you blindly before breakfast.
A peck of peeled pears put into a pale pink pitcher.
Peter Plump, the pessimist, pestered portly Pat Perkins.

HER WHEREABOUTS.
Jinks—How's your wife.
Binks—My wife is lost to sight, to memory dear.
Jinks—Why, my dear fellow, I never heard your wife was dead!
Binks—She isn't. I'm paying her \$50 a week alimony.—Life.

COMPLETEST BUSINESS BUILDING
Features of W. L. Douglas's Administration and Jobbing House.

The dedication of the new administration and jobbing house building erected at Brockton, Mass., by the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. as a part of its mammoth manufacturing plant at Montello was marked by the thoroughness and attention to detail characteristic of the firm in all its undertakings. As the new building is said to be the most complete and convenient of any ever built for a commercial house in the United States, so were the expressions of appreciation by the many persons who visited it for inspection sincere and of a highly congratulatory nature.

The dedicatory program included open house from 11 a. m. to 8 p. m. with concert by the Mace Gay orchestra and the presence of a Boston caterer to attend to the wishes of all. The building itself afforded a feast for the eye, especially the offices, which are marveled in many ways. Fifteen thousand invitations were sent out, including over 11,000 to the retail dealers in the United States, who handle the W. L. Douglas Co. shoes, the others going to shoe manufacturers and all allied industries in Brockton and vicinity. Mr. Douglas will be glad to have anybody who is interested call.

The new building is situated just north of the No. 1 factory on Spark street, facing the Montello railroad station. Its completion marks the establishment of a modern up-to-date wholesale jobbing house and office building. Mr. Douglas has long considered the advisability of a jobbing house, not only for the purpose of supplying his own retail stores more readily, but that the 11,000 dealers throughout the United States handling the W. L. Douglas shoe might be able to obtain shoes for immediate use with greater facility.

Under the present system all shoes are manufactured to order, and customers sometimes lose sales waiting for shoes to arrive. With the new jobbing house they will be enabled to have their hurry orders shipped the same day they are received, which will be far more satisfactory to the customer and will result in a largely increased business to the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co.

The new building is 200 feet long and 60 feet wide and two stories in height. The jobbing department will occupy the entire lower floor, while the offices will occupy the second floor.

Leaving the new jobbing house on the first floor, the main staircase ascends to the second floor level in two divisions separating on the first landing and meeting again on the fourth, where the large Palladian window is situated, which appears over the entrance.

At the head of the staircase in the mosaic floor appears the word "Atrium," the name of the inner hall, planned and decorated after the manner of the central apartment of the Pompeian house. This room is directly in the center of the main building, being 26x28 and 16 feet in height, and is lighted by three large ceiling skylights of classic design.

Around the atrium are placed the private offices, where the heads of the departments are located, with their assistants. Beginning at the right of the main entrance, in order, are those of the C. F. Richmond, buyer; H. T. Drake, general superintendent; Hon. W. L. Douglas, president; and H. L. Tinkham, treasurer. They are finished and furnished in mahogany and are ensuite. Mr. Douglas's own room occupies the southwest corner of the building, and is a very handsome apartment. To the left of these comes the room of C. D. Nevins, assistant treasurer. Mrs. Marion Shields, correspondence clerk, and the store department.

On the east of the atrium and opening into this hall are two alcoves separated by mahogany counters, the fronts of which are plate glass and grilles of bronze. These are the offices of Warren Weeks, paymaster, and Harry L. Thompson, the bookkeeper.

The next in order to the left are two rooms devoted to the credit department, one the private office of A. T. Sweetser and the other occupied by his clerks. The next two offices are those of F. L. Erskine, advertising manager, and his assistants.

The three other rooms completing the outer wall line of the atrium are the reception room to the left of the staircase hall, directors' room and lavatory and the sample room. Here are located the telephone instruments, telephone switchboard and booths for use of guests.

The directors' room is a fine chamber occupying the space in the northwest corner of the building. This room is finished and furnished in mahogany and all appointments are in keeping. Here hangs a portrait in oil of Mr. Douglas, the president. The last room in this series is the sample room, also in mahogany.

On center with the entrance and between the bookkeeper's alcove and the credit department is a hall leading to the general bookkeeping room, where is located the host of clerks which this huge business employs.

Disappearing Forests.
The National Hardwood Lumber Association at its recent meeting in Memphis adopted a report that presented the dire possibilities of the destruction of the forests in the short period of thirty-five years. It was estimated that there now stood in the United States in the neighborhood of 1,175,000,000 feet of lumber, but that 45,000,000,000 feet of lumber was being cut every year. The report recommended the immediate prohibition of log exports and exemption from taxes of tree plantations. Attention was called to the desirability of State legal enactments along the last line, and some constitutional provision by the general Government of like effect. Mention was made of the custom prevailing in France of requiring a tree to be planted for every tree cut down.—From Daily Consular and Trade Reports.

PLENTY OF MATERIAL.
"Why is that strange blond so popular with the college girls?"
"Sh! She assists them to arrange their 'cozy corners.'"
"Ah, she has an artistic temperament."
"No, but her father owns four junk shops."—Chicago News.

AGGRAVATING ECZEMA.
Troubled Badly For Several Years With Eczema on Limbs—Another Wonderful Cure by Cuticura.

"For several years I was troubled badly with an eczema on my limbs and wrists. Physicians in several towns had prescribed for me without giving me any results. I had often used Cuticura Ointment and received relief temporarily. In the spring of 1914 I took the Cuticura Resolvent Pills for about five weeks, and at the end of that time there was not a blotch on me anywhere. This spring I took a few vials of the Cuticura Resolvent Pills as a precautionary measure, and will continue to do so every spring simply as a spring tonic, as they are so easy to carry with you, and they certainly fix your blood for the ensuing year. I now use only Cuticura Soap. The Cuticura Ointment and Pills certainly cured me of an aggravated case of eczema. St. Clair McVicar, San Antonio, Texas, July 6, 1905."

When a man lets a collar button fall and brags that it didn't roll under the bureau, it's a sign he is a pur-jurer. So, 28-106.

Call at the Drug Store To Day.
Get a bottle of Dr. Biggers Huckleberry Cordial for Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Children Teething, etc. At Druggists 25c and 50c.

FOOD FOR KITTENS.
A woman who loves animals gives the following advice in regard to the care of young kittens. Do not leave the bed of newborn kittens in the dark too long else on coming into the light they will be afflicted with sore eyes. Dampness will also cause this trouble. The bed must not be a cold one. It is better to give only warm food to the kittens' mother for the first two days. Any water given her must have the chill removed. Also give her plenty of warm milk, and as the kittens increase in size the amount of food given her should be increased.

CRASH IN THE DINING-ROOM.
Simplicity in the dining-room is secured by the use of doilies and napkins, in the place of tablecloths. Very artistic table strips of coarse linen crash may be made at small cost. The crash costs about 25 cents a yard, and one long and two shorter strips will do for an oblong table. For a round table two equally long strips are better. Hemstitch the ends and stencil or block print designs above the hem in dull old blues, reds, or yellows. Use oil paints very thin, with turpentine. It is better to experiment on bits of the crash before venturing on the table strips. Use little color, and avoid the heavy effects.

The world will not be saved by arguments about God in heaven, without the evidence of a God in the heart.

In order to advance the price of sugar, weakened by general overproduction, a systematic reduction of the cultivated area has been encouraged in France.

DOCTOR'S SHIRT
Now Gets Along Without It.

A physician says: "Until last fall I used to eat meat for my breakfast and suffered with indigestion until the meat had passed from the stomach."

"Last fall I began the use of Grape-Nuts for breakfast and very soon found I could do without meat, for my body got all the nourishment necessary from the Grape-Nuts, and since then I have not had any indigestion and am feeling better and have gained in weight."

"Since finding the benefit I derived from Grape-Nuts I have prescribed the food for all of my patients suffering from indigestion or over-feeding and also for those recovering from disease where I want a food easy to take and certain to digest and which will not overtax the stomach."

"I always find the results I look for when I prescribe Grape-Nuts. For ethical reasons please omit my name." Name given by mail by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The reason for the wonderful amount of nutriment, and the easy digestion of Grape-Nuts is not hard to find.

In the first place the starchy part of the wheat and barley goes through various processes of cooking to perfectly change the starch into Dextrose or Post Sugar, in which state it is ready to be easily absorbed by the blood. The parts in the wheat and barley which Nature can make use of for rebuilding brain and nerve centres are retained in this remarkable food, and thus the human body is supplied with the powerful strength producers so easily noticed after one has eaten Grape-Nuts each day for a week or 10 days. "There's a reason."

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

THE PULPIT.

A BRILLIANT SUNDAY SERMON BY THE REV. WILLIAM R. RICHARDS.

Subject—"Following Jesus."

NEW YORK CITY.—In the Brick Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning, the pastor, the Rev. William R. Richards, preached to a large congregation on "Following." He took for his text Matthew ix:19, "And Jesus arose and followed him, and so did his disciples," and said:

The question comes to us. What it meant to be a Christian at the time when Jesus was living on the earth? Of course, the word "Christian" had not then come into use, but the fact is the Christian life existed, and our question is, "What was it like, how it began, how it showed itself, by what upward step would a man prove that he had made the great choice and had become what we would now call a Christian? If we want to know we have to look into the gospel of history, and looking there, we find a plain and emphatic answer in one word, the word "follow." For the common way of announcing that any man had made the great choice for Jesus was to say, "He rose and followed Him." There are sixty-nine places where we read of one and another and of many at once who followed Jesus. That is the historic picture of the Christian life in those days. It is the leader walking here and there about the country and his disciples following him. In the beautiful parable Jesus is described as the shepherd going on ahead and his sheep, who proved they were his sheep because they knew His voice, following him. That is the regular order of the sacred history: Jesus going before and the others following. But there is one singular marked exception to that order. It is all the more striking because it stands alone. Just once in the gospel of history this term is used in the other order. Some one else is leading, it is Jesus that is following. Who can it be other than he who spoke with such authority that Jesus followed him? You might think it was some great teacher and leader experienced in the things of God. But it was not so, because after Jesus had once claimed the position as teacher He never consented to follow another teacher. Or perhaps some supreme ecclesiastic, who, because of his sacred office could take precedence of Jesus. But it was not so, for if you look into the history you find that our Lord never for a moment rendered such supremacy to any church official. His word was always "Follow me." Or you might think it was some civil ruler, like King Herod or Pilate, or the great Caesar himself at Rome. But it was not so; He never consented to follow any great man on earth. He did say, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's," but He was talking about taxes, not His personal allegiance; that was not one of the things that were Caesar's. It was not at the summons of any person that Jesus rose up and followed. What was it, then?

You remember the story. The man was named Jairus. He was, it is true, a ruler of the synagogue, but that meant little more than the leader of a prayer meeting. It would have been just the same had he been a bezzar. He was a beggar on this occasion: "While Jesus spake these things, behold, there came a certain ruler, saying, My daughter is even now dead, but come, and lay thy hands upon her and she shall live. And Jesus rose up and followed him. The secret is out. There was a man who could speak for a moment in a tone of authority, then, to Jesus, because he spake through more immediate contact with the world's sorrow and pain and need; that was what gave him his precedence. Lead on, man! Jesus follows. How strange it seemed to me that we must take this as one of the passages that remind us of the Lord's humanity, showing how He was shut out by limitation of knowledge, how He must wait until some one came and showed Him the home where the shadow of death was. I suppose it is true in some sense, but as you muse upon, you feel it was also an illustration of His Godhood. What kind of message is it that comes with authority to the ears of the Creator? Some story of His creature's need. It is our weakness that moves God, our emptiness, emptiness. It is our need, that moves God. If we were possible to conceive of such a thing as the limitation of the knowledge of God—if you could conceive of yourself as going into the presence of God and informing Him that somewhere in some forgotten corner of His universe there was some unknown creature, unknown to Him, that was perishing for want of Him, and you were the only guide qualified to show the way to that creature, you could say, with all reverence that you could, 'Follow me.' And Jesus rose up and followed Jairus to the house of sorrow. My friends, let us comfort ourselves with the assurance that any such message as that will move the Lord today just as in the days of Jairus. Whatever pain or sorrow there is in your own house or the house of your friend, you may go to Him straightaway and tell Him, and when you return you may be sure that you are taking His presence with you. Be sure a man of that kind is a privileged character; he takes precedence of all. When Jairus has finished speaking, Jesus rises up and follows him.

Now that is only the first part of our text. This is the second part: "And so did His disciples." As disciples it was their business to follow Jesus, and now Jesus was following Jairus. Is not this a most excellent example for any loyal church? The question of leadership, human leadership, I shall often expect to find that kind of leadership in the church itself. Men and women experienced in the things of God who can serve as leaders for their younger brethren. It was so in the days of the apostles. Men like Paul who charged the younger members that they should follow him as he was following Christ and it was safe counsel. There are leaders in the church, but the question which our text suggests is whether there may ever be any kind of safe leadership inside the church from outside appears and says "come." It is not that we have to follow as follows? Certainly not always. If Christian people are too ready to walk after everybody who beckons them

they are likely to wander away from the Master. There comes some new teacher with great pretensions of wisdom who says, "Come, I will lead you into higher regions than your master has been able to show you." Any church that follows such may make up their mind that they will soon lose the Master. Or, again, it may be some high church official who says he will lead you to regions of religious assurance that you have not found in days of your Master. In the old days it would have been the High Priest; in our day it might be the ancient and splendid hierarchy of the army of Rome, but you and I are persuaded that it is more blessed to follow the Master "who not having seen us love." Christ has never consented that we should follow any human priest. Then, again, the church might consent to follow Caesar or some representative of political power in the world. In following Caesar we run the risk of losing the more important guidance of Jesus. No political power, no human prestige, no wisdom of the human understanding is a safe guide for any church of Christ.

Then can you conceive of any human leadership that it would be safe for the church or disciples to follow? Yes. Here is this man, Jairus, who comes from outside with this pitiful story, and Jesus rises and follows him, and so do His disciples. Any man who knows the way to any kind of human sorrow, or need or wrong of human soul, and if in the hearing of Jesus Christ, and if in the hearing they find he knows the way better than we, he may claim not only a hearing, but the following from the church of Jesus Christ. It is direct imitation of His example. The church has often been too slow; sometimes because we did not like the man who called. The personal character of the leader does not come into the question at all. We want all those in sorrow to know that the best place in Christ, that the message which will relieve the promptest attention, and no poor Jairus need ever go home alone. Once his story was finished, Jesus got up and followed him, and so did His disciples. If we are disciples, it is our business to be following Christ. But how to follow Him? What sometimes our Lord shows us in the church and sometimes He exercises His leadership through those without the church, messengers telling us of some one who needs help, and our business as Christians, not only as churches, but as individuals, is to be listening always for that appeal, looking into the path that leads to the house where they need us. We cannot see the face of Jesus, we cannot hear His voice; it may even seem to some of us that we have lost the comforting sense of Jesus in our hearts. We ask why He did not leave some guide whom we could see and follow and who would lead us back to Him and before the words are out of our lips here stands this Jairus. "Come," he says, and you listen and you rise up and follow him, and as soon as you do something tells you that you are not any longer walking alone. That lost companionship you were mourning for has been restored to you. This was His guide, and you have done well to follow him.

This is not my fancy. Let me read you the plain words of the history: "While he spake, behold there came a certain ruler, and when he saw Jesus he fell at his feet and besought him, saying, 'My little daughter lieth at the point of death. I pray thee come and lay thy hand upon her and she shall live, and Jesus arose and followed him, and so did his disciples.'"

Doers of the Word.

To be simply a hearer of God's Word is not only to deceive oneself, but to increase one's responsibility. "Inasmuch as ye did it not" is a sharp sentence which Jesus one day passed upon His faithful followers. It is a great thing to remember that God's Word may be translated into Christian living. If for each day we should be guided by one single precept, in the process of time we would come to know our own names, but we would also come to the place where the revelation of Jesus Christ would be very attractively presented to one who might not read God's Word, but who would study our lives. "Be ye therefore doers of the Word, and not hearers only."

Look Upward.

I cannot understand why those who have given themselves up to God and His goodness are not always cheerful; for what possible happiness can be equal to that of the hand of God? No accidents or imperfections which may happen ought to have power to trouble them, or to hinder their looking upward.—St. Francis de Sales.

Our Pilot.

Our Father's hand is at the helm of the universe, not ours. Do not try to carry the labors of the deck and the responsibilities of the Pilot. "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart." In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

God We Can Trust.

Help us to reach out past things we cannot understand to the God we can trust. We thank Thee for the passing of what changes and the changelessness of that which passes not.—Matthie D. Babcock.

EXPERIENCED MOTHERS KNOW.

That very few are just to children. That it is easier to be generous than just.

That children need judicious praise, but not extravagant flattery. That many children become discouraged because their best efforts meet with no approval.

That nothing causes a child to cease his efforts to please sooner than to find that everything he does is taken as a matter of course.

That each child's disposition, as well as his constitution, should be studied conscientiously and carefully. That a child has a right to some consideration of his tastes in the matter of dress and food as well as his amusements.

That we are too often arbitrary with our little people, and thoughtlessly trample on their rights; and they can read our motives more clearly than we think.

Fruits of experience do not ripen on the bush of opinion.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JULY 12.

Subject: The Good Samaritan, Luke x, 25-37. Golden Text, Matt. v, 7.—Memory Verses, 33, 34.—Topic: Love to Our Fellow Men.—Commentary.

I. How to gain eternal life (vs. 25-28). 25. "A certain lawyer." A scribe, a professional interpreter of the law of Moses. Usually a noted scribe was a teacher and had a company of disciples about him. "Good up," Jesus must have been in some building, discussing on some subject that suggested the question asked by the lawyer. "Tempted Him." Or tested Him. The question was not asked from any desire to know his own duty, but for the purpose of testing the knowledge of Jesus. "Master." Or teacher, the same as rabbi. "To inherit eternal life." Eternal life is the true reward of the soul—that which is natural to it in its highest state, and of all things in this world is most worthy the seeking. His question was, How can I become a child of God and a possessor of that true spiritual life that will endure forever?

26. "What is written." As a teacher of the law he should be able to tell, and he was able, as his answer shows. "How readest thou?" What we gain from the Bible depends upon how we read it.

27. "He answered said." He replied by quoting the great summary of man's duty toward God in Deut. 6:5, and a statement of the law of love from Lev. 19:18. The lawyer proceeds to give a correct answer, one which Jesus approved. "Thou shalt love." The religion of the Bible does not consist in good external acts, in prayers, in the deeds of the law, or in being made happy, but in love to God and man. "All thy heart." This is supreme affection to God. The heart is the seat of the affections, desires, motives and will. "With all thy soul." He loves God with all his soul, or rather, with all his life, who is ready to give up life for His sake. "All thy strength." To the extent of giving all of our physical powers in His service, that is, the intellect belongs to God. This embraces the whole man. "Thy neighbor as thyself." This love is the principle in the heart from which flows the "golden rule" (Matt. 7:12) in practice, and the perfect keeping of all the commandments which refer to our duties to our fellowmen.

28. "This do, and thou shalt live." Shalt have already eternal life, the life of heaven; for this heart of love is eternal life.

II. Our duty to mankind illustrated (vs. 29-37). 29. "Desiring to justify himself." R. V. The conscience of this learned lawyer was touched and he saw that he was destitute of the love he had just declared to be necessary in order to inherit eternal life. "Who is my neighbor?" The degree in which he had kept the law of love would depend on the answer to this question. How wide a circle does "neighbor" embrace? Unwind that word neighbor and it measures off the whole of our earthly life, it covers all our practical, every-day duties. 30. "Jesus answering said." Here it was that Christ could, in a parable, show how far Judaism was from even a true understanding, much more from such perfect observance of the law, as would gain heaven. "From Jerusalem to Jericho." It was a very dangerous road, lying much of the way in a deep ravine through soft rocks in which caves abounded, affording shelter to miscreants who sallied forth to prey upon travelers. It is still necessary to have an escort in passing over that road. 31. "Certain priest." Jericho was one of the residences of the priests who came up to the temple of Jerusalem in turn to offer the daily sacrifices, burn incense, and perform the temple ceremonies. "He saw him." And knew that a fellow man was suffering and in need. "On the other side." He no doubt could frame many excuses for not stopping. 32. "Likewise a Levite passed by." A Levite was one of the tribe of Levi, a priest was of the family of Aaron in that tribe. The Levites performed the humble services of the temple, as cleaning, carrying fuel, and acting as chorists. The scribes and lawyers were frequently of this tribe, which, in fact, was set apart by Moses as the intellectual body in the nation. "Passed by." His conduct was the same as the priest's; he saw the man in need, but he naturally he expected to befriend the man.

33. "A certain Samaritan." The Samaritans were a half-breed people, greatly despised and hated by the Jews. "Had compassion." Although they had no right to expect any help from a Samaritan, yet he hastened to assist the suffering man.

34. "Bound up his wounds." He did the very best he could for the man with the roadside bandage on his own best. "This all took time and effort, but he did not hesitate nor make excuses. 'To an inn.' This was a public house where all comers were received. 35. 'On the morrow.' He evidently remained with him that night. 'Two pence.' A penny or Roman denarius is worth about sixteen cents, but it would be equivalent to eight or ten times as much in our day. 36. 'Wipe thine ink-stone.' This question almost compelled the lawyer to speak highly of the Samaritan. "Was neighbor unto him?" The parable implies not a mere enlargement of Jewish ideas, but a complete change of them. It is truly a Gospel-parable, for the whole old relationship of mere duty is changed into one of love. 37. "Do thou likewise." He to whom you ought this to show mercy in order to become his neighbor is your neighbor. We should be ready to help every person who needs our assistance.

The Red Cross Founder.

Henri Dunant, founder of the Red Cross movement, now seventy-six years of age, lives in ill-health near Lake Constance, in Switzerland. He was first inspired by reading the story of Florence Nightingale, and it occurred to him that some systematic arrangement might be made to provide similar help to the wounded in battle—an arrangement which should be recognized by both opposing forces. Accordingly he went to the battle at Solferino in order that he might see for himself what the results of warfare were, and he was convinced that if the horrors were to be mitigated it would be by a properly recognized body. Then he spent some years lecturing in various portions of Europe, attracting little attention at first and being generally regarded as a crank and no more. The first sympathetic help was from Napoleon III, who at once determined that the ideas of the "mere civilian" should be put into effect as regards his armies. Dunant lived to see his triumph, when the nations of the world accepted his proposals in the Geneva Conference of 1864.—Chicago News.

Embroidered Pique Coats.
Embroidered pique coats are much worn by little children, and if you buy a good pique with a rather fine cord it will launder and wear very well. One charming little coat that I saw recently had a wide shoulder cape with an embroidered scallop on the edge, and with several rows of large round dots worked above it. The turnover collar and cuffs were embroidered in the same manner. The best way to make the dots is to work them in the over and over stitch from side to side, and then, using the same stitch, work them from top to bottom. This pads them thoroughly, and makes them stand out most effectively.

RAISING SWEET POTATOES.

Prepare the ground, which should be a well fertilized sandy loam, thoroughly and throw it up into ridges as far apart as ordinary corn rows. Set the plants 18 inches apart in the center of these ridges, pressing the soil firmly about the roots. Pour a cupful of water around each plant and as soon as it sinks into the soil cover the spot with dry dirt to prevent evaporation. Run the cultivator through between the rows once before the vines commence to run, then mulch heavily and no more work is required until digging time.—C. B. Barrett, Thurman, Kan.

FLOORS TO STAIN.

Mix together 2 ounces of potash crystals and one pint of boiling water; apply this to the floor, the way of the grain, with a pad made of flannel fastened to a stick or old broom handle, taking care to put it on evenly; leave to dry; then apply another coating until the desired shade is reached. Leave it for 24 hours, when you rub it up with linseed oil; then leave it for twenty-four hours; then polish with beeswax and turpentine.

A man can make a good deal of money in stocks by being careful not to have anything to do with them.

BLOATED WITH DROPSY.

The Heart Was Badly Affected When the Patient Began Using Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell, of 415 West Fourth St., Olympia, Wash., says: "For over three years I suffered with a dropsical condition without being aware that it was due to kidney trouble. The early stages were principally backache and bearing down pain, but I went along without worrying much until dropsy set in. My feet and ankles swelled up, my hands puffed and became so tense I could hardly close them. I had great difficulty in breathing, and my heart would flutter with the least exertion. I could not walk far without stopping again and again to rest. Since using four boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills the bloating has gone down and the feelings of distress have disappeared."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

OCEAN TRAVEL.

"Jack has gone to Europe." "Yes? I didn't know he could swim."—Town Topics.

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permanently cured by Dr. H. H. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. \$2 trial bottle and treatise free. Dr. H. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

The salary of the Mayor of New York is \$15,000 a year.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures whooping cough, 25c a bottle.

Rome has been entered or sacked more than forty times since 390 B. C.

OPERATION AVOIDED

EXPERIENCE OF MISS MERKLEY

She Was Told That an Operation Was Inevitable. How She Escaped It.

When a physician tells a woman suffering with serious feminine trouble that an operation is necessary, the very thought of the knife and the operating table strikes terror to her heart, and our hospitals are full of women coming for just such operations.



Miss Margaret Merkley

There are cases where an operation is the only resource, but when one considers the great number of cases of menacing female troubles cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after physicians have advised operations, no woman should submit to one without first trying the Vegetable Compound and writing Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is free.

Miss Margaret Merkley, of 275 Third Street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes:

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Female troubles are steadily on the increase among women. If the monthly periods are very painful, or too frequent and excessive—if you have pain or swelling low down in the left side, bearing-down pains, don't neglect yourself; try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

CHAS. L. SAUER, GRAND SCRIBE



PE-RU-NA STRENGTHENS THE ENTIRE SYSTEM.

Mr. Chas. L. Sauer, Grand Scribe, Grand Encampment 1, O. O. F. of Texas, and Assistant City Auditor, writes from the City of El Paso, San Antonio, Texas: "Nearly two years ago I accepted a position as secretary and treasurer with one of the leading dry goods establishments of Galveston, Texas."

"The sudden change from a high and dry altitude to sea level proved too much for me and I became afflicted with catarrh and cold in the head, and general debility to such an extent as to almost incapacitate me for attending to my duties."

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